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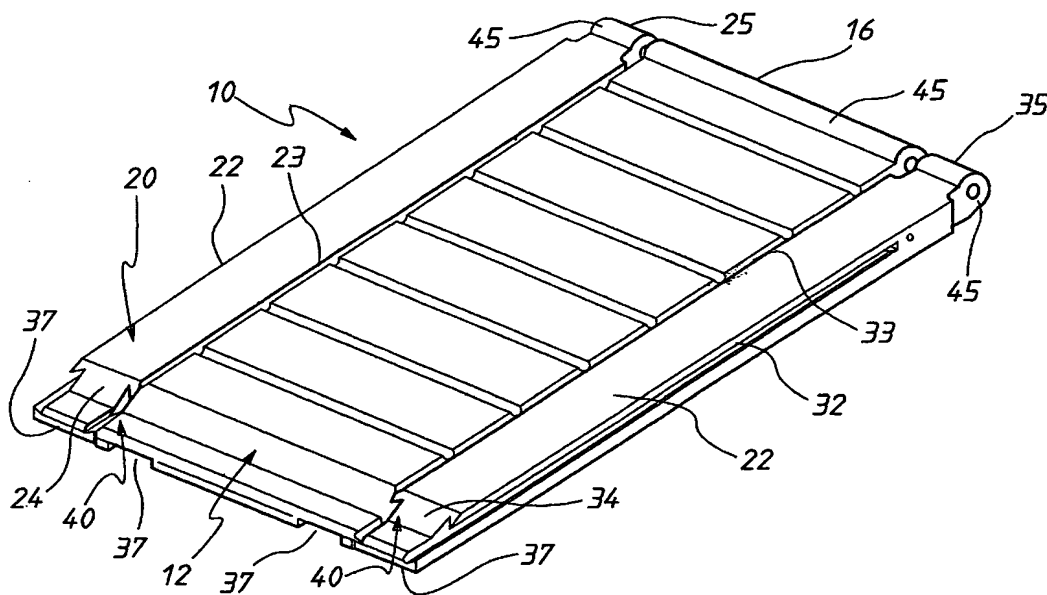
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(57) Abstract: A hinged closure for a refuse container, the closure including a main panel portion (12) having opposed side edges (13,14) with dovetail like ribs or tongues (41), and the closure further including two side members (20, 30) each of which have grooves (42) adapted to be associated with a respective side edges of the main panel portion for a releasable connection. The main panel portion is connected to the side members by sliding the ribs in the grooves until pivot mounting hole portions of the both the panel portion and side members are aligned to form a pin mounting sleeve (45). The side members provide increased rigidity and reinforcement to the pivotally mounted closure.

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